(8) Market oriented production strategy including design inputs, training facilities and raw material support, etc.

(9) Application of Science & Technology and retraining of artisans in outmoded industries.

(10) Provision of more outlay, both in the Central and State Plans.

(c) This will be known when Eighth Plan Document is finalised.

New Oil reserves in Cauvery basin

2499. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item which appeared in the "Indian Express" dated the 10th July, 1989 wherein it has been stated that there has been another oil find in Cauvery basin ; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof, indicating the quantity of oil likely to be explored and by when the exploration work will commence there ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT) : (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During drilling, indications of zones likely to be hydrocarbon-bearing were observed in the well Adiyakkamangalam-1. The well is presently under testing and the exact nature of the find will, however, be known only after the completion of testing.

At present, oil and gas is being produced from two structures namely, Narimanan and Bhuvanagiri through early production system, at an average daily rate of 236 tonnes and 53,000 cubic meters respectively. The production from the Cauvery basin during the eighth plan period will be known only after the 8th Five Year Plan is firmed up.

Exploration for hydrocrarbons is already being undertaken in Cauvery basin.

Use of Natural Gas in Gujarat

2500. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the manner in which natural gas produced in Gujarat is being used at present; and

(b) what is the expected production of natural gas in Gujarat during the next five years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI BRAHM DUTT): (a) Natural gas is being mainly used as feed stock for fertilizer production, as fuel for power generation and as an industrial and domestic fuel.

(b) The current production of natural gas in Gujarat region is about 4MMCMD and this is expected to increase in future. The level of increased production of gas in future will depen upon the techno-economic viability of increase in the level of production.

Setting up of industries by IPICOL in Orissa

2501. SHRI JAGADISH JANI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps has been taken by the Industrial Promotion and Invetment Corporation Limited, Orissa to set up industries in that State;

(b) if so, how many industries have been set up by IPICOL at different places in the State so far, particularly during the first four years of the Seventh Plan, including their locations; and

(c) what are the details of the investment made in those industries so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Industrial Promotion and Investment Corporation Limited, Orissa have been granted 16 letters of intent during the first four years of the Seventh Plan i.e. 1985, 1986, 1987 and 1988, for setting up of industries in various districts of Orissa viz. Cuttack, puri, Ganjam, Balasore, Sundergarh, Phulbani, Koraput and Dhenkanal. Out of these, one letter of intent for the manufacture of Vanaspati at Jagatpur, Cuttack district, Orissa has since been converted into an industrial licence. This licence is proposed to be implemented by IPINIT Vanaspati Pvt. Ltd. as a Joint Sector project. The information pertaining to investment of industries is not being centrally maintained in the Ministry of Industry.

Starting of new newsprint units

@2501A. SHRI SHANTI TYAGI: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have decided to start new newsprint units in the country;

(b) if so, what is their number and location thereof;

(c) by when the work is likely to start on these projects;

(d) whether the State owned Nepa Mills are being renovated and modernised; and

(e) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) to (c) Besides the existing installed capacity, an additional capacity of 5.10 lakh tonenes per annum for manufacture of newsprint has been approved by way of Industrial Licences/Letters of Intent, as per details given in the statement attached (See below). Except for the scheme covered by the Industrial Licence dated 29-11-83 granted to Nepa Mills (a Central Public Sector Undertaking) for expansion by 13,000 tonnes per annum of newsprprint, there has been no significant progress in implementation of other schemes reported by the entrepreneurs concerned. In addition, Nepa Mills has plans to set up a bagasse-based newsprint unit at Aliganj, District Muradabad, Uttar Pradesh, for a capacity of 88,900 tonnes per annum.

(d) and (e) Nepa Mills has undertaken a scheme of modernisation/renovation/expansion of its existing facilities at Nepanagar, Madhya Pradesh, which is estimated to cost Rs. 78.35 crores. The scheme, which is under implementation is expected to be completed by end of 1989. The scheme briefly envisages the following:—

(1) Renovation of paper machine No. 1 with latest available technology;

@Previously unstarred question 2117, transferred from the 4th August, 1989.